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WHITE OAK NEWS

White Oak Science Gateway

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The White Oak Science Gateway
Master Plan seeks to leverage the
many assets located in the White Oak
area and establish the foundation
upon which the area may evolve into a

community that offers more opportunities to learn, live, work and play. The Plan also envisions that the commercial centers will evolve from conventional, auto-dependent suburban shopping retail centers, business parks and light industrial areas into vibrant, mixed-use, transit-served nodes.



EXECUTIVE IKE LEGGETT ON PROGRESS IN WHITE OAK

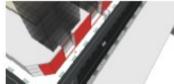


In 2014, the County completed the White Oak Science Gateway Master Plan which details the future of White Oak. My administration will continue to focus on our development efforts to create sustainable, economic development foundations, expand opportunities for affordable/workforce housing, improve transportation infrastructures and provide a better quality of life for East County residents.

White Oak will be the first area in the State of Maryland to have <u>Bus Rapid Transit</u> (BRT). BRT is essential to creating the livable, walkable, transit-oriented communities we need. Examples in White Oak are the new Adventist Hospital under construction and the planning of "Viva White Oak" (a new community of homes, shopping and dining establishments) that will support world-class research and development efforts next door to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. In addition, a new Hilton Home2 Suites Hotel is almost complete; and the Hillandale Gateway project is in the design stage. Further development of the Gateway depends heavily upon the presence of BRT.

Montgomery County is committed to expanding economic opportunity in the East County, and that is why we brought on board the White Oak Science Gateway Implementation Coordinator, Peter Fosselman. Pete comes with strong credentials to ensure success for the community.

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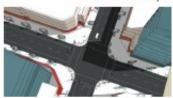
Build-to-line:



Build-to-areas



Streetscape



Enhanced Intersections



Transitions



Spaces for Public Use

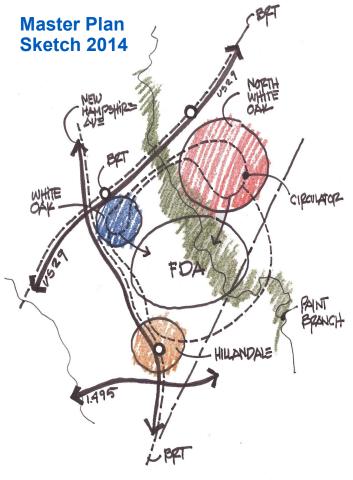
EXECUTIVE LEGGETT (cont.')

Much success has been achieved with community outreach efforts including this newsletter, the White Oak Website, and the new Friends of White Oak advocacy group. County departments such as DOT, DEP, DGS and Planning are coordinating with State agencies like MDE and SHA as well as the residents. property owners and businesses of White Oak.

The Eastern region of the County is on a transformational path as exemplified by the approval of the White Oak Science Gateway Master Plan.

- Isiah Leggett



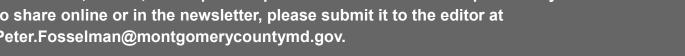


W.O. CORNER by Peter Fosselman

REMINDER OF THE WHITE OAK FACEBOOK PAGE & WEBSITE

Log onto Facebook and "like" the White Oak Page at https:// www.facebook.com/WhiteOakScienceGatewayMasterPlan/. And if you have not, please visit the White Oak website at http:// www.montgomerycountymd.gov/exec/wosg/index.html. Community

information, events, development updates and newsletters are posted. If you have something to share online or in the newsletter, please submit it to the editor at Peter.Fosselman@montgomerycountymd.gov.



FRIENDS OF WHITE OAK

The 2nd meeting of the Friends of White Oak was held on Monday, January 29th. Representatives from the business, development and residential communities were present. Topics discussed included development updates, the purpose of the new committee, goals and upcoming guest speakers. Minutes are posted on the White Oak Website. The next meeting will be held on February 26th at 7pm in the White Oak Recreation Center. All meetings are open to the public, however only Board Members may participate.

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ADVENTIST HOSPITAL PROGRESS

Construction continues steadily on Adventist HealthCare White Oak Medical Center, which topped out, or reached the highest point of construction, in November 2017. During the early part of 2018, construction on the main hospital building is focused on completing the exterior and advancing the interior buildout. Construction on the parking garage and central utility begins this quarter and the medical office building construction will start in the second quarter of 2018.

Exterior wall, windows and the beginning of masonry work continue on the main *Adventist Hospital* building.



EAST COUNTY CARE COORDINATOR SERVICES

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- $\sqrt{}$ Health $\sqrt{}$ Senior Services $\sqrt{}$ Food $\sqrt{}$ Emergency Assistance $\sqrt{}$ Medical Assistance $\sqrt{}$ Utilities
- $\sqrt{}$ Legal Matters $\sqrt{}$ Literacy Classes $\sqrt{}$ Resources for immigrants $\sqrt{}$ Mental Wellness Services



VIVA WHITE OAK PRELIMINARY PLAN PRE-SUBMITTAL MEETING

March 1, 2018 at 6:30pm; White Oak Recreation Center (1700 April Lane, Silver Spring).





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SUMMER RISE PROGRAM FOR YOUTH

Last summer, Montgomery County came together to offer a unique opportunity for our youth to explore a variety of careers and for our businesses to start the process of developing talent. It was a success!

We invite you to participate this year by becoming a <u>Summer RISE</u> career experience host. T Register online to host two or more high school students at your workplace during the three weeks of July 9 – 27. You and your students will establish a convenient 20 hour per week schedule for the three-week period. You will be invited to attend an orientation in June to discuss strategies on structuring this career experience and what to expect. Remember 1 student = 1 career opportunity in our Summer R.I.S.E. online portal. The deadline to register career opportunities is March 16. You will receive information on the students assigned to you in June. WorkSource Montgomery and Montgomery County Public Schools will be available to support you before and during Summer RISE 2018. Please <u>register</u> today!

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Montgomery County Recreation has several summer positions available. If you are interested, please visit http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec/how/job.html or call 240-777-6870.

HILLANDALE PARK DISCUSSION AT THE COUNCIL PHED COMMITTEE

The Members of the County Council's PHED Committee heard from the Parks Department on February 12th. The topic was the FY19 budget and Hillandale Park was discussed extensively. In addition to Members Floreen, Leventhal and Riemer, D5 Council Member Hucker joined them. No final decisions were made. You may watch the meeting here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fG7d4BtiRx0



Peek at one of the Concept Plans for the White Oak Town Center at Route 29/ Tech Road/ Industrial Parkway.



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WORKSOURCE MONTGOMERY EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION & SURVEY

WorkSource Montgomery is the "Go-To" place linking local and regional economic development and workforce efforts by developing a deep understanding of target and emerging in-



dustry demands, creating sustainable workforce solutions that are tailored to the region, increasing the ability for individuals to compete for higher-quality jobs and the employers to com-WorkSource pete within the marketplace. WSM provides services in the American Job Center in Wheaton and Germantown and have MONTGOMERY opened a satellite office in the East County Regional Service

In order to better serve the residents, we are conducting a survey. In this survey residents have an opportunity to tell us what types of services, workshops and employment opportunities would be beneficial to them as well as connect with a career specialist. The survey can be found here: https://form.iotform.com/80368081632153

If you would like more information you can call 240-777-8412 or email the American Job Center Manager, Camille McKenzie at cmckenzie@worksourcemontgomery.com

MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE 3RD DISTRICT STATION FREE TRAINING



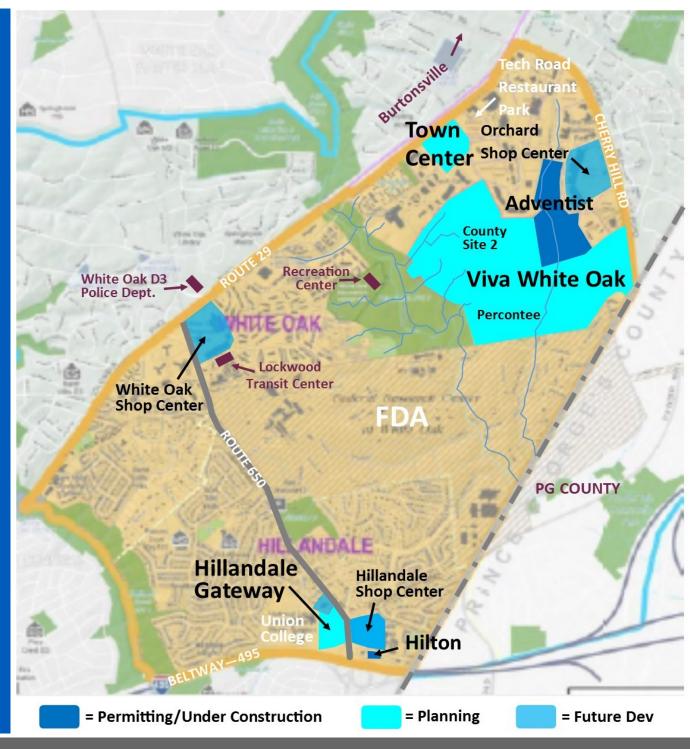
Gang Awareness Training March 14th; 7 to 8:30pm **District 3 Station** 1002 Milestone Drive Silver Spring, MD 20904

COMMUNITY ROOM RENTAL AT DISTRICT 3 POLICE STATION

The 3rd District Station has a community room located in the lobby which can be reserved

for use by community members. The room can be rented from 9am - 9:30pm, and the seating capacity is 45. The rate for use is \$15 an hour. For more details and to reserve the room, please click here. The room is reserved through Active Montgomery, you will need an account, and the search for the community room will be found under "District 3". Any further questions can be addressed by calling 240-777-2725.





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